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## DIRECTOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF VICTIM SERVICES OFFICER

Carson City—Director Jackie Crawford is pleased to announce the appointment of Traci Dory as the Victim Services Officer for the Nevada Department of Corrections. Ms. Dory began with the Department of Corrections in September of 2001 as the Executive Assistant to Director Crawford. Ms. Dory previously worked for the Attorney General's Office from 1987 through 2001, and possesses an extensive background in criminal justice and the legal field that will contribute greatly to her successful implementation of this new program area.

This position will provide victims of crime and their families with information, assistance, advocacy and support while their offenders are incarcerated within the Nevada prison system. Activities will include the development of community partnerships to advance the principles of victim services.

"Victim services is an important component of the criminal justice system and Traci will insure the creation of new and expansion of existing services to victims of crime," said Jackie Crawford, Director of the Nevada Department of Corrections.

"I am looking forward to giving crime victims of Nevada offenders a voice by providing information, services and support in another portion of the criminal justice system," said Traci Dory.

Anyone seeking information regarding the services provided to crime victims from the Department of Corrections is encouraged to contact Ms. Dory at 775-887-3393 or by email at tdory@ndoc.state.nv.us.